

Some Radiator configuration studies for the RICH

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Radiator Configuration

- ⇒ A proposal for a two radiators arrangement
Note on the radiator configuration for the RICH of AMS
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- ⇒ Superimposed radiator scenario (AGL on top of NaF)
- ⇒ Contiguous radiator scenario

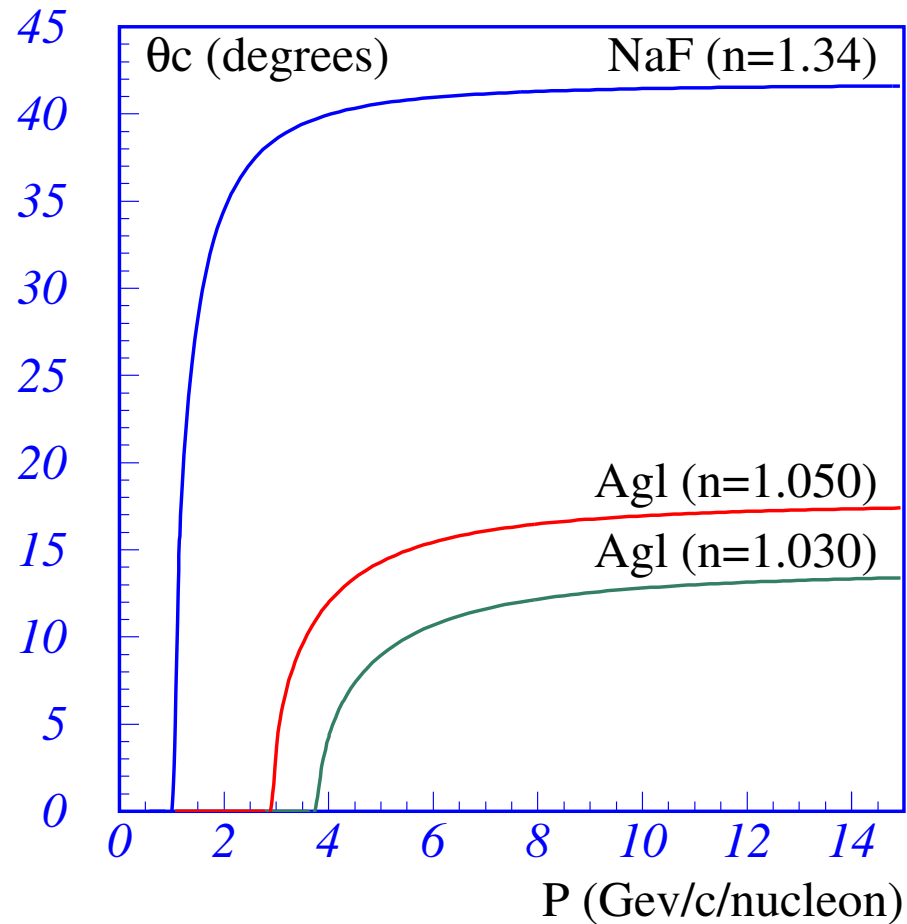
RICH radiators

Aerogel

- ⇒ $n=1.030/1.050$
- ⇒ light yielding:
 $\sim 50/cm - \sim 85/cm$
- ⇒ scattering and absorption
 $\Lambda \sim 3.5cm$
- ⇒ chromaticity

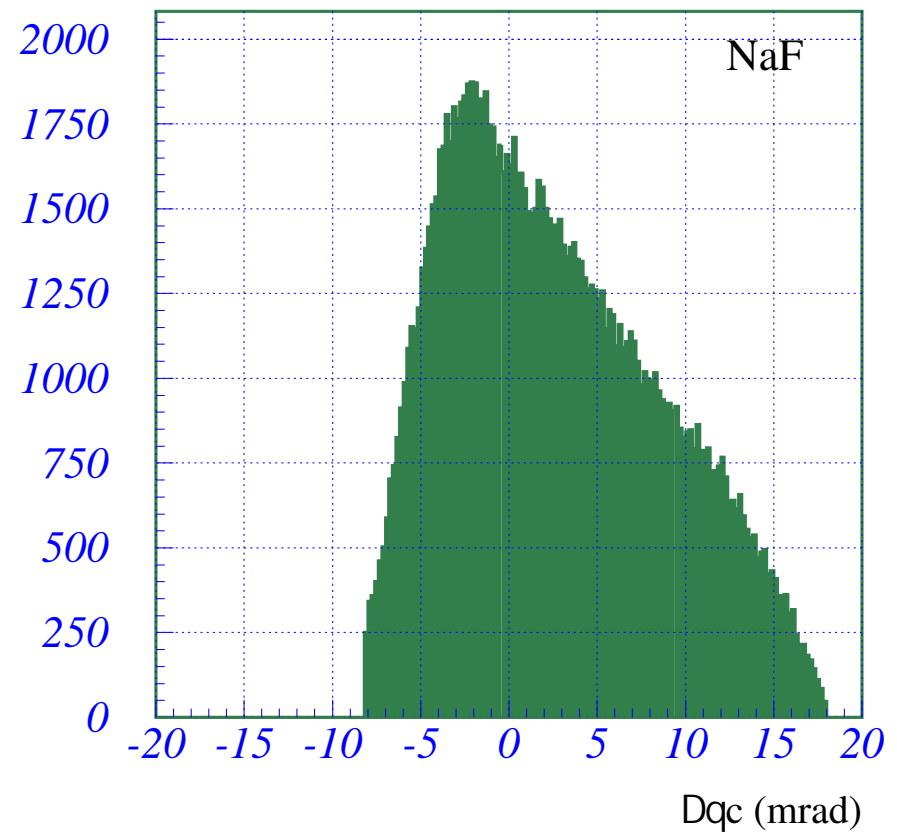
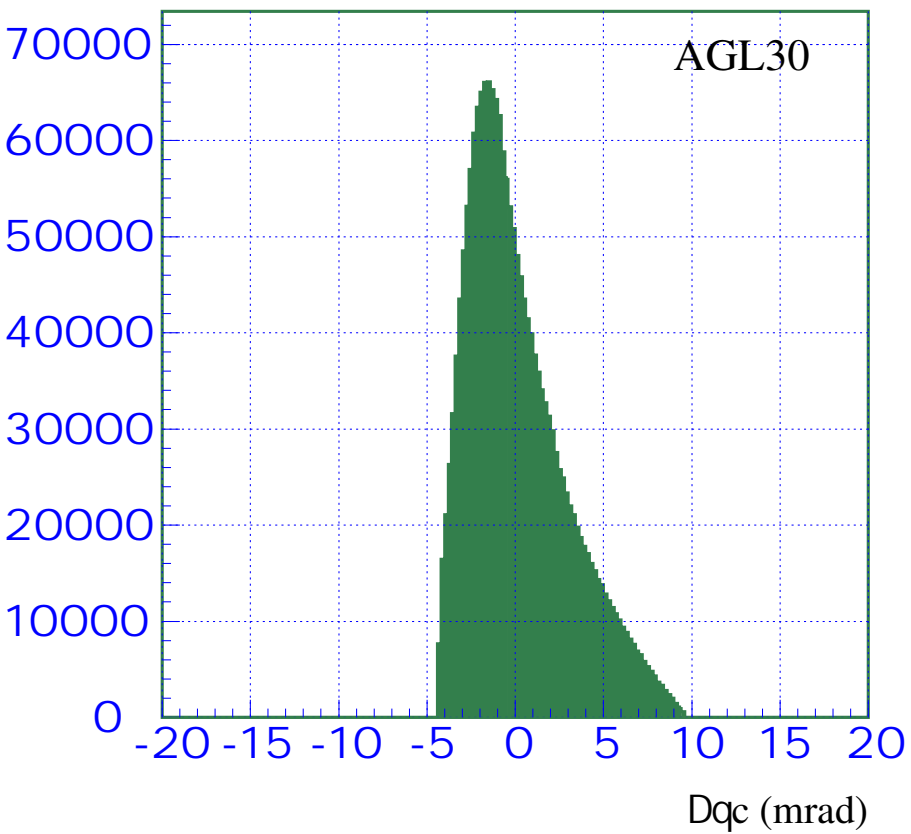
NaF

- ⇒ $n=1.33$
- ⇒ light yielding:
 $\sim 400/cm$
- ⇒ no interactions
- ⇒ larger chromaticity effects
- ⇒ lower event geom acceptance
- ⇒ lower light guide efficiency

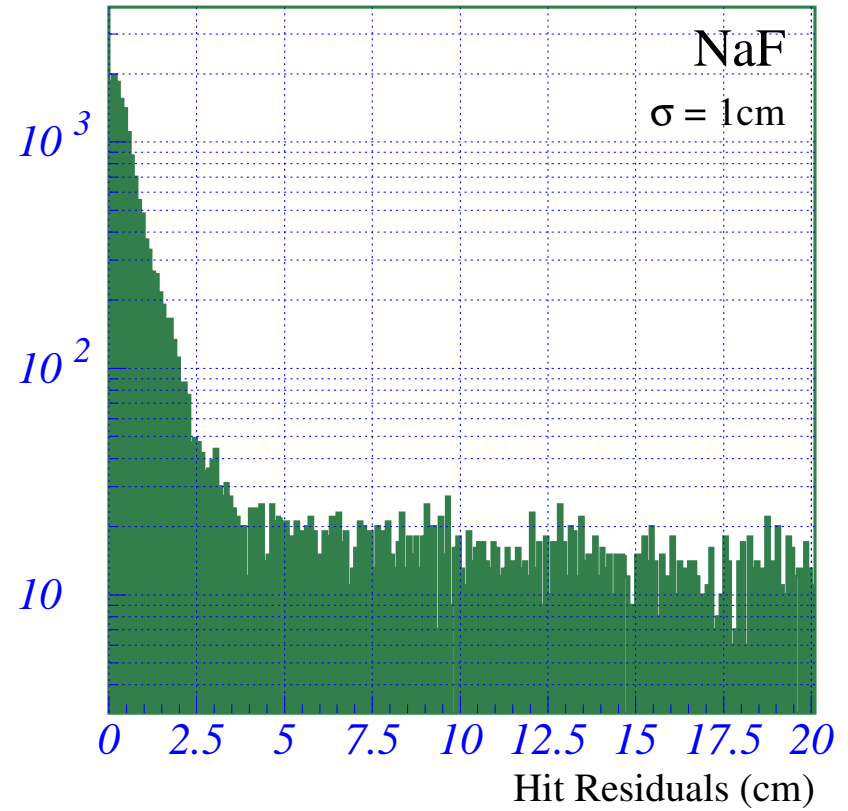
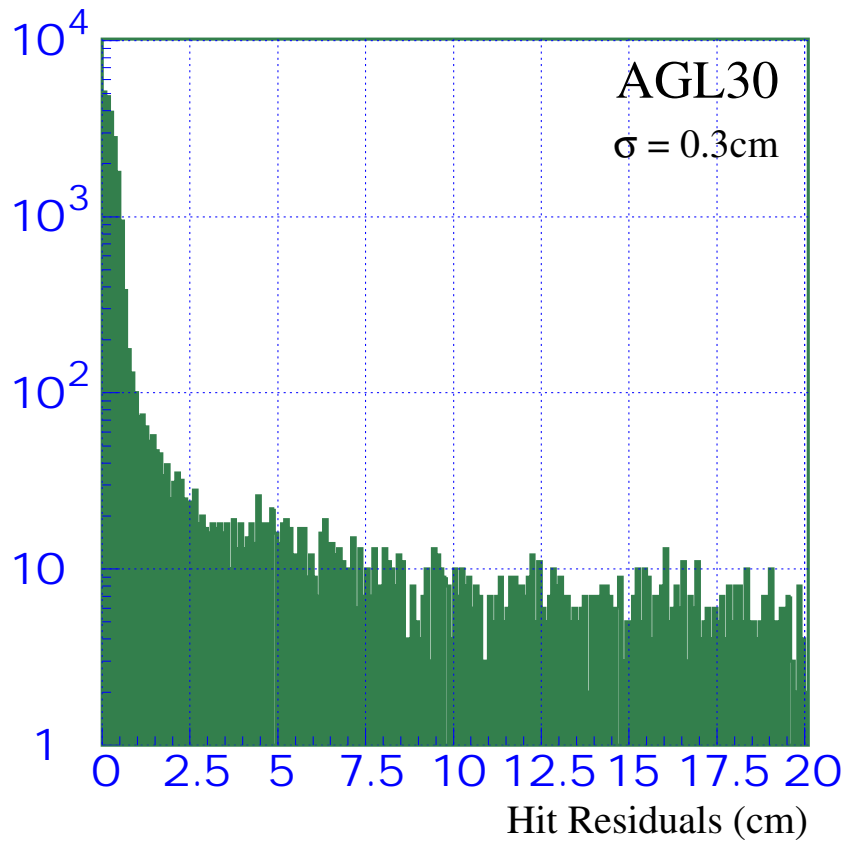


Chromaticity dispersion

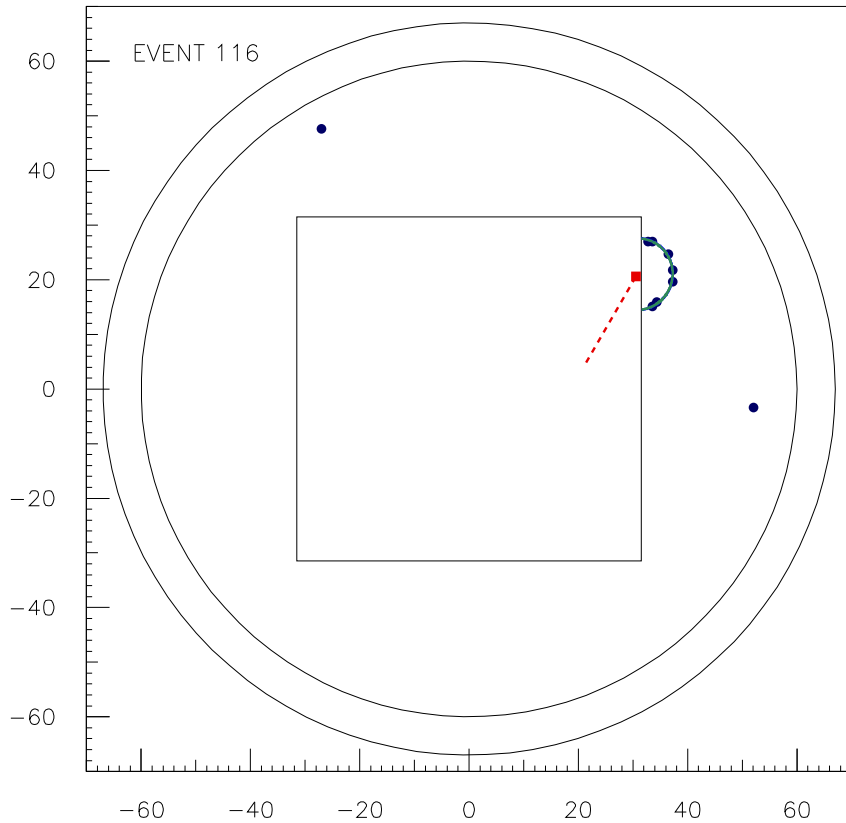
$$\cos\theta_c(\lambda) = \frac{1}{\beta n(\lambda)}$$



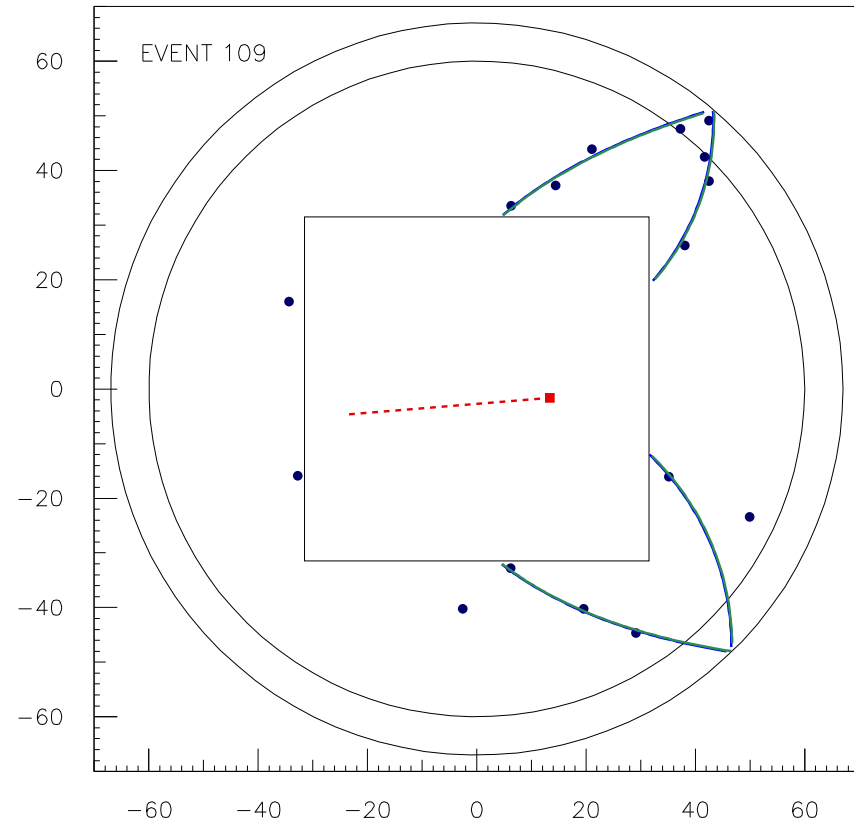
Hit residuals



Photon event patterns



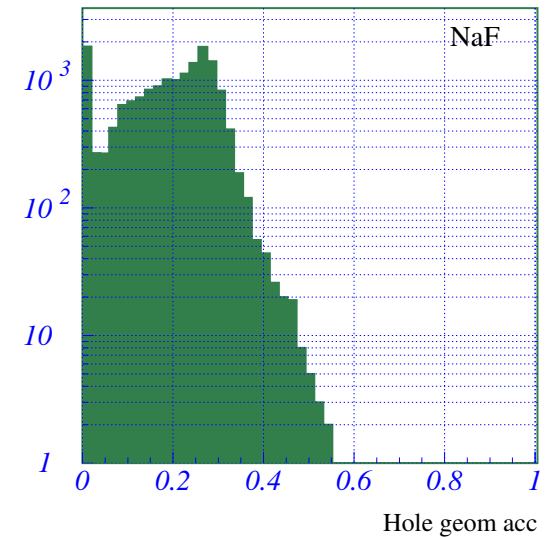
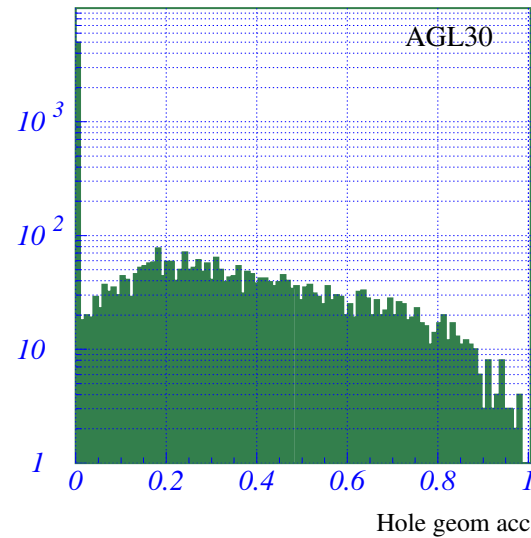
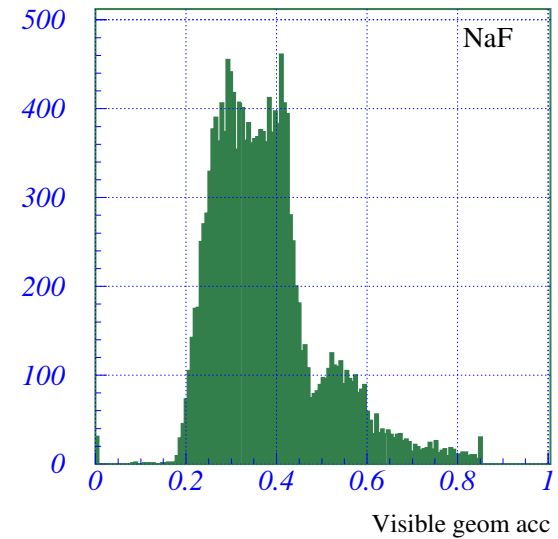
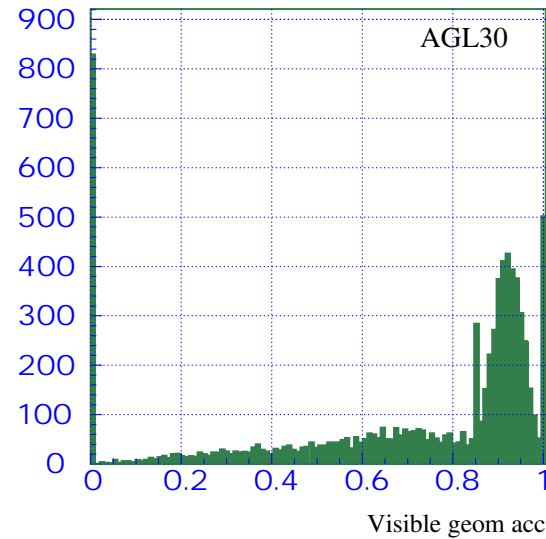
AGL30
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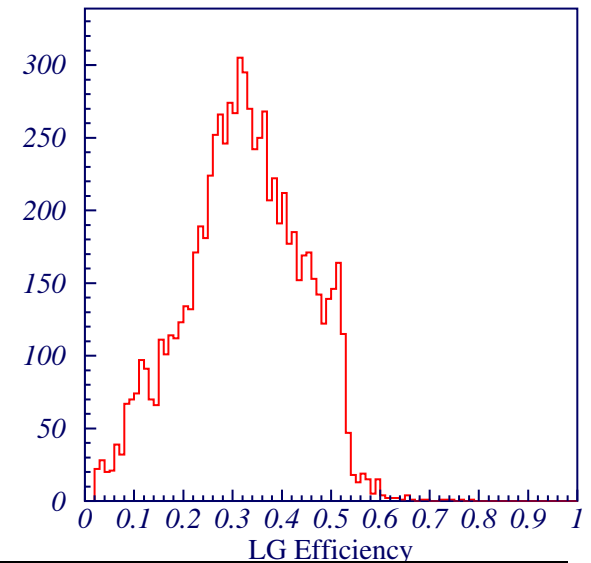
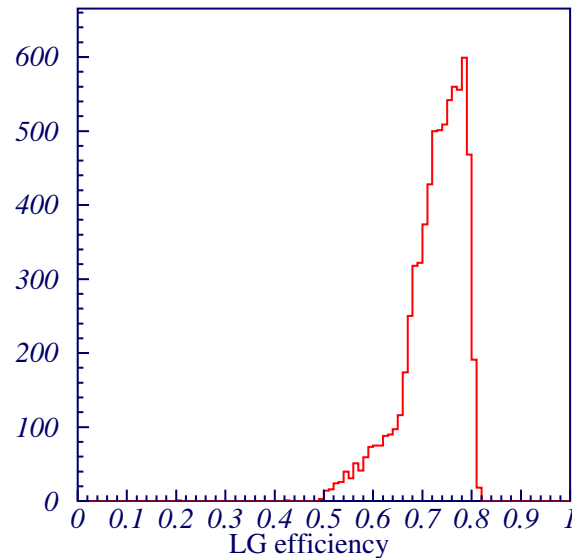
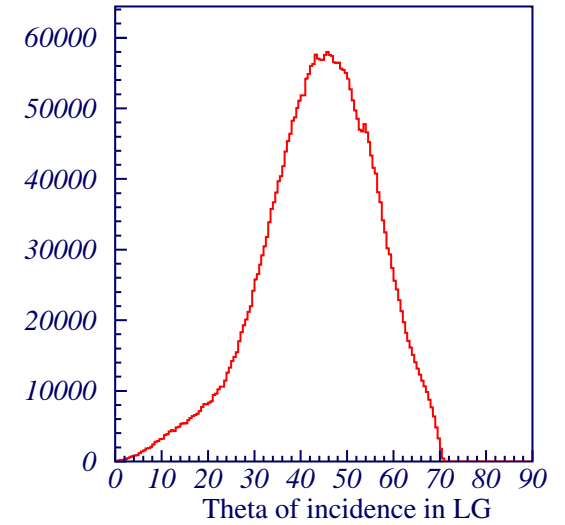
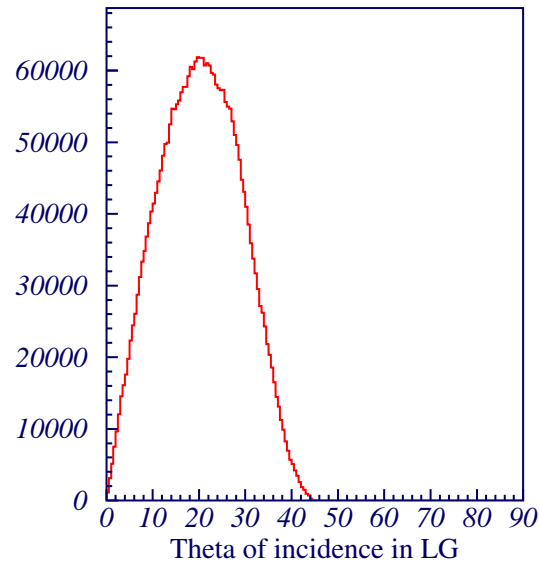
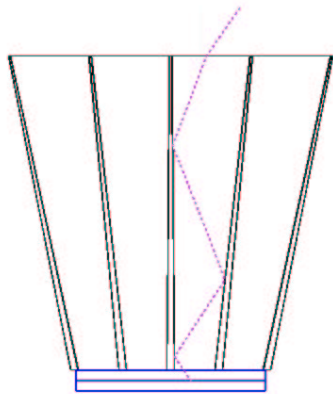
Geometrical acceptance

- ⇒ The fraction of radiated photons seen by the active detector area are different for the two radiators
- radiator boundaries
 - radiator interactions
 - total reflection
 - mirror
 - ecal hole



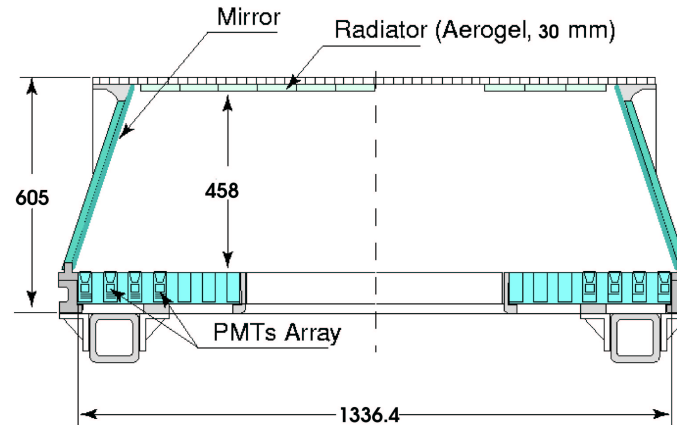
Light Guide Efficiency

- The light guide efficiency depends on the photon entrance angle (θ_γ)
- ❑ NaF radiated photons have larger entrance angles and therefore lower efficiencies



Light Yield: NaF vs. Agl

The number of photons along the detector (folded with the PMT efficiency)



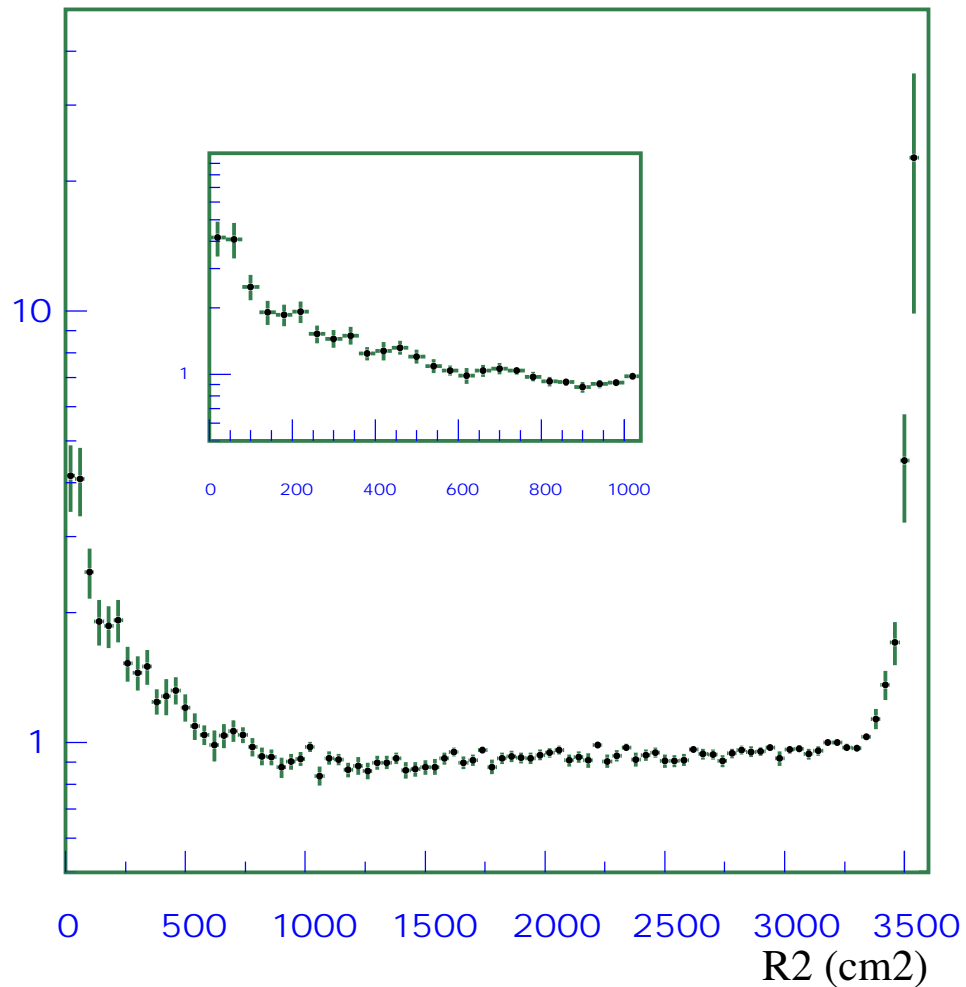
Light Yield	NaF (0.5cm)	Agl30 (3cm)
N_{γ}^{rad}	138	105
	33% (total refl+foil)	45% (rad int+foil)
$N_{\gamma}^{out radiator}$	46	47
	37% (geom acc)	50% (geom acc)
$N_{\gamma}^{lg entrance}$	17	24
	41% (lg eff)	75% (lg eff)
$N_{\gamma}^{pmt cathode}$	7	18

Which size for NaF?

- A minimal number of 3 hits required on θ_c reconstruction
- The ratio of the events reconstructed on **NaF** and **Agl30** as function of the incident particle distance to the radiator center

$$\frac{\% \text{ Reevents}(\text{NaF})}{\% \text{ Reevents}(\text{Agl30})}$$

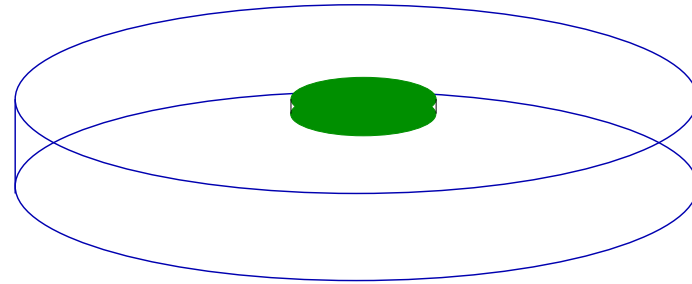
- NaF reconstruction is dominant for
 - $R < 15 \text{ cm}$
 - $R > 58 \text{ cm}$



$\beta \sim 1$

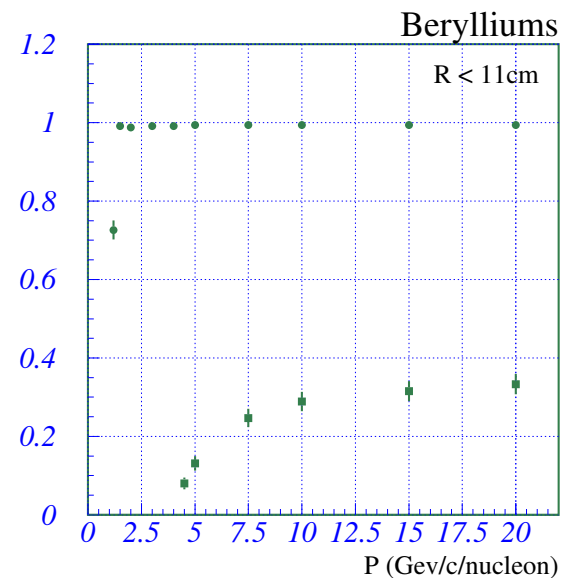
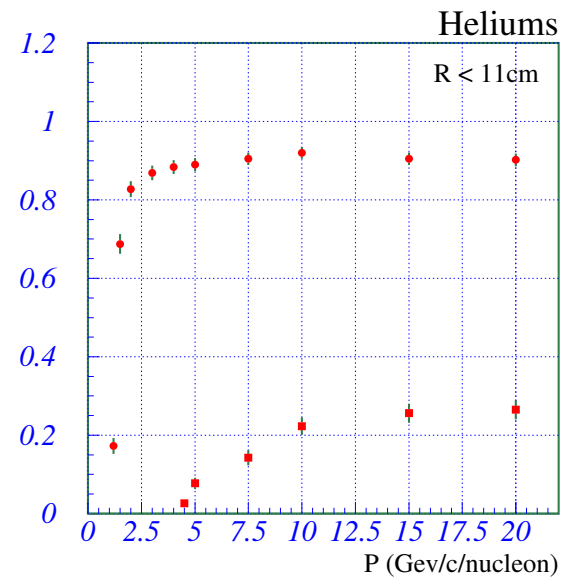
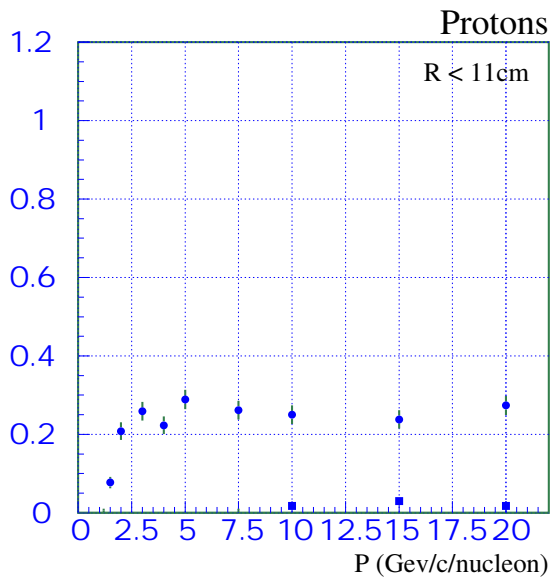
Typical NaF configuration

- ⇒ The RICH acceptance would be increased with a small area of NaF radiator
- ⇒ The momentum range covered would be enlarged to lower values
- ⇒ The NaF radiator could be placed at the radiator center with a typical radius of $\sim 11 \text{ cm}$ and a thickness of 0.5 cm
eventually a square with 22cm
- ⇒ The NaF corresponding weight would be
 $2.56 \text{ gr/cm}^3 \times 190 \text{ cm}^3 \sim 0.5 \text{ kg}$

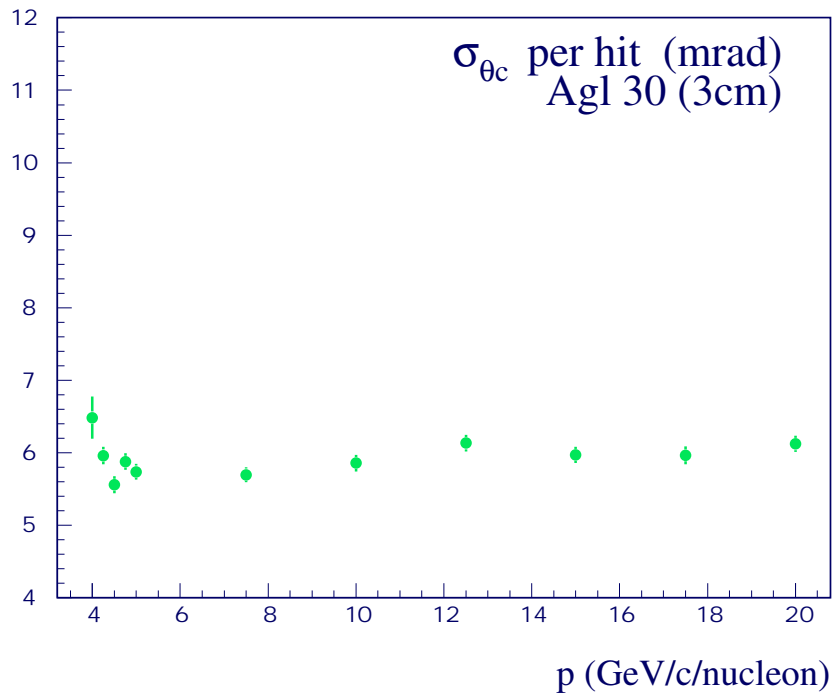


θ_c Reconstruction efficiency

- NaF radiator area corresponds to $\sim 3\%$ of the RICH acceptance
- The fraction of particles impinging on the NaF area and being reconstructed ($N_{hits} > 2$) depends strongly on the charge
 - NaF efficiency reaches 100% for Berylliums*
- NaF and Agl30 efficiencies are compared

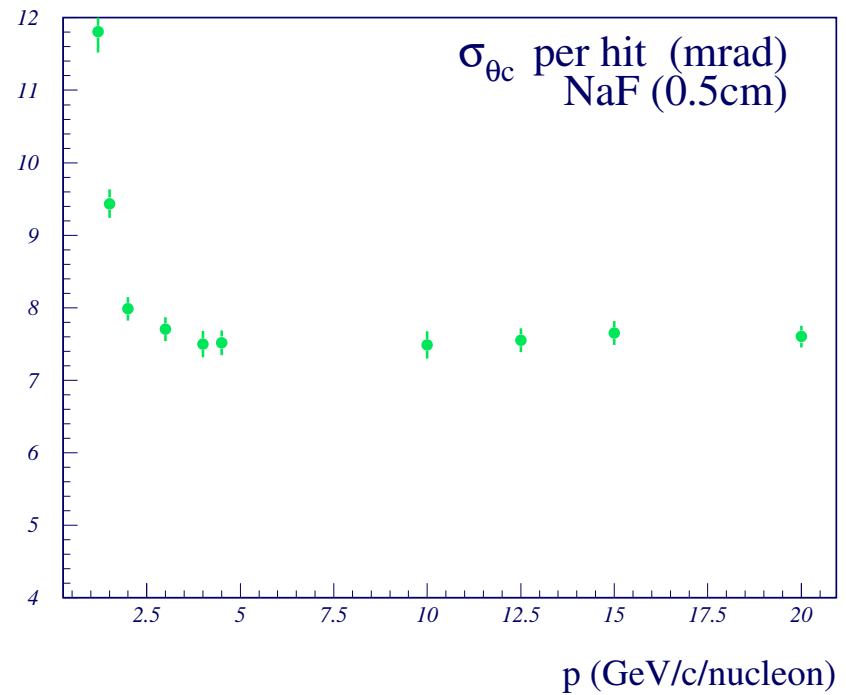


θ_c : Single Hit resolution



Agl30

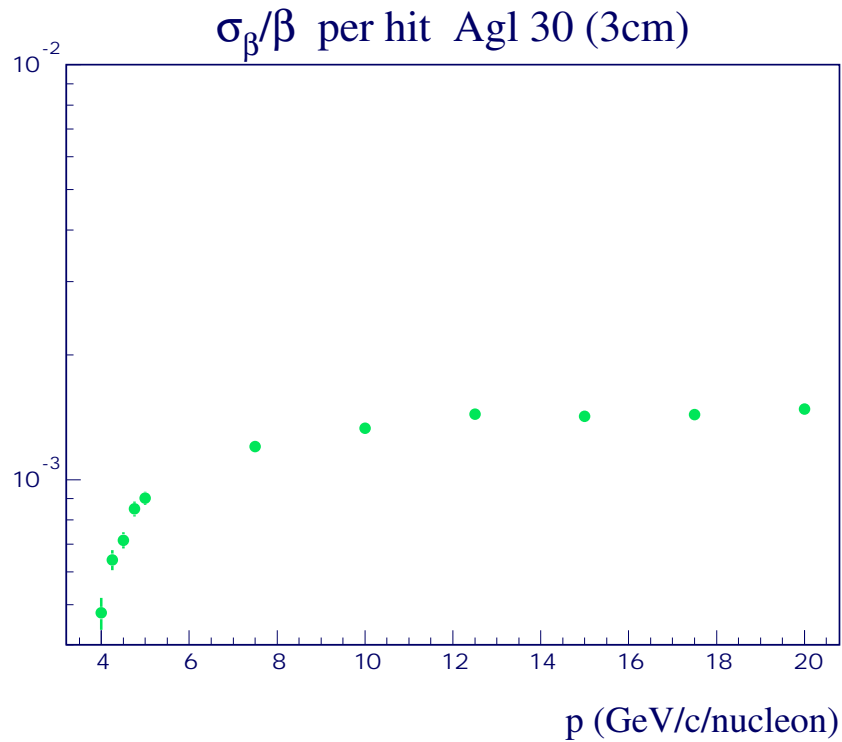
$$\sigma_{\theta_c} \sim 6 \text{ mrad } (\beta \sim 1)$$



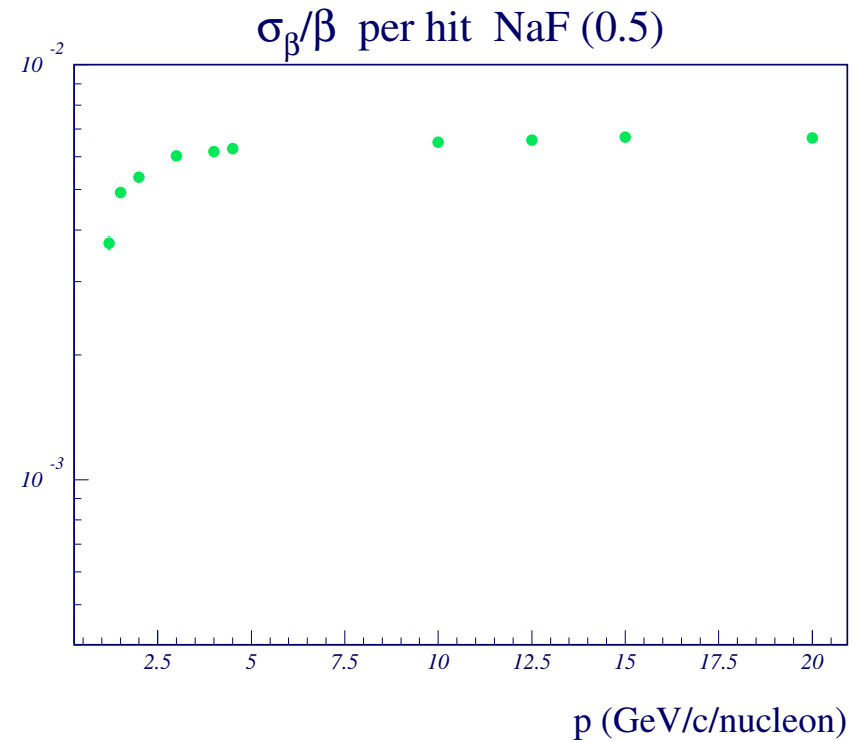
NaF

$$\sigma_{\theta_c} \sim 7.5 \text{ mrad } (\beta \sim 1)$$

$\Delta\beta/\beta$: Single Hit resolution



Agl30
 $\frac{\Delta\beta}{\beta} \sim 0.15\% (\beta \sim 1)$

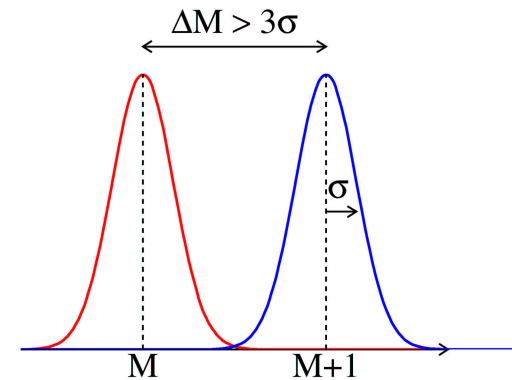


NaF
 $\frac{\Delta\beta}{\beta} \sim 0.6\% (\beta \sim 1)$

Particle Mass Identification

- Particle mass identification requires precise measurements on **momentum** (p) and **velocity** (β)
- AMS resolutions:
 - ❑ $\Delta p/p \lesssim 2\%$ up to 50 GeV/c (protons)
 - ❑ Single Hit velocity resolution (from simulation studies)

p (Gev/c/nucleon)	AGL30(%)	NaF(%)
1.5	-	0.35
2.0	-	0.55
3.0	-	0.60
4.0	0.05	0.63
5.0	0.09	0.64
7.5	0.12	0.65
10.0	0.13	0.65



- mass resolution:

$$\frac{\sigma_M}{M} = \frac{\Delta p}{p} \oplus \gamma^2 \frac{\Delta \beta}{\beta}$$
- Mass separation criterium

$$(\Delta M > 3\sigma_M)$$

$$\frac{\sigma}{M} < \frac{1}{3} \frac{\Delta M}{M}$$

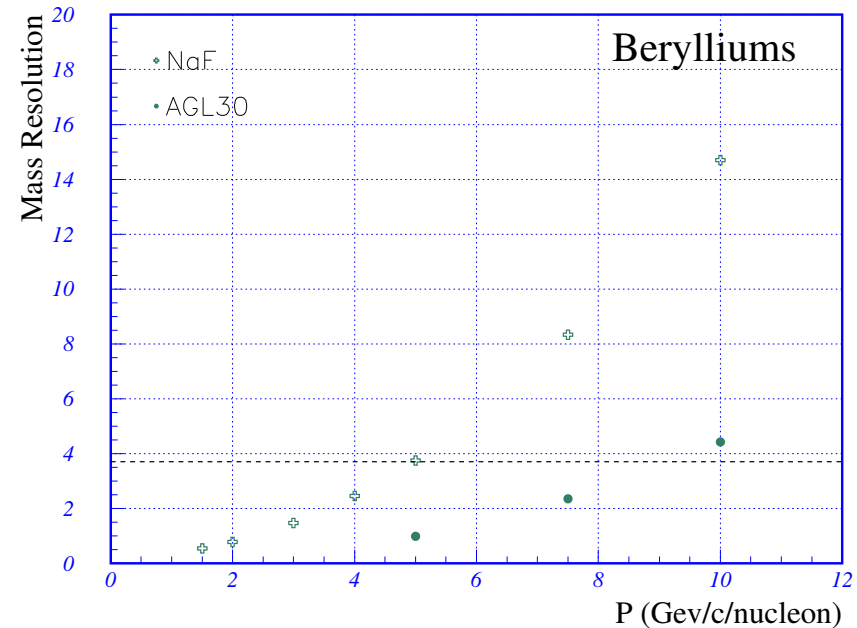
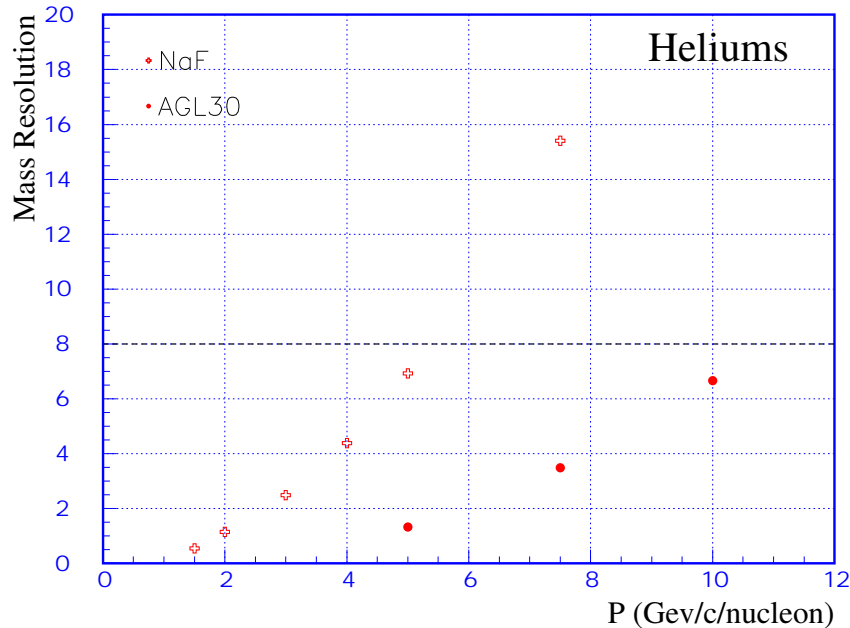
Mass Resolution

- Events impinging on the center of the radiator ($R < 11\text{cm}$) have different number of hits close to the cerenkov ring, depending on the radiator type

AGL: Heliums ~ 5 berylliums ~ 10

NAF: Heliums ~ 7 berylliums ~ 20

- The velocity resolution can be scaled from the single hit one



Conclusions

- ⇒ The possibility of having a mixed radiator configuration with both a large and a low refractive index radiators, was studied
- ⇒ Aerogel radiator shows low event geometrical acceptances for particles impinging close to the radiator center
- ⇒ The placement of a NaF radiator at the center of radiator plane ($R < 11\text{cm}$) increases at least by 3 the number of reconstructed events ($N_{\text{hits}} > 2$)
- ⇒ A 90% reconstruction efficiency is already obtained for Heliums with $P=3 \text{ GeV}/c/\text{nucl}$
- ⇒ With a 3σ mass separation criterium helium and beryllium isotopes seem to be resolved up to $5 \text{ GeV}/c/\text{nucl}$, with the NaF radiator